# ADJUSTMENT FOR FUEL AND VARIABLE ENVIRONMENTAL COSTS

RETAIL RATES

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# **APPLICABILITY**

This adjustment is applicable to and is part of the Utility's South Carolina retail electric rate schedules.

The fuel and variable environmental costs, to be recovered in an amount rounded to the nearest one-thousandth of a cent per kilowatthour, will be determined by the following formulas:

$$F_{C} = \frac{E_{F}}{S} + \frac{G_{F}}{S_{1}}$$

$$F_{EC} = \frac{E_{EC}}{S_{2}} + \frac{G_{EC}}{S_{2}}$$

Total Fuel Rate =  $F_c$  +  $F_{EC}$ 

# Where:

- F<sub>C</sub> = Fuel cost per kilowatt-hour included in base rate, rounded to the nearest one-thousandth of a cent.
- E<sub>F</sub> = Total projected system fuel costs:
  - (A) Fuel consumed in the Utility's own plants and the Utility's share of fuel consumed in jointly owned or leased plants. The cost of fossil fuel shall include no items other than those listed in Account 151 of the Commission's Uniform System of Accounts for Public Utilities and Licensees. The cost of nuclear fuel shall be that as shown in Account 518 excluding rental payments on leased nuclear fuel and except that, if Account 518 also contains any expense for fossil fuel which has already been included in the cost of fossil fuel, it shall be deducted from this account.

### **PLUS**

(B) Fuel costs related to purchased power such as those incurred in unit power and limited term power purchases where the fossil fuel costs associated with energy purchased are identifiable and are identified in the billing statement. Also, the cost of "firm generation capacity purchases," which are defined as purchases made to cure a capacity deficiency or to maintain adequate reserve levels. Costs of "firm generation capacity purchases" includes the total delivered costs of firm generation capacity purchased and excludes generation capacity reservation charges, generation capacity option charges and any other capacity charges.

## **PLUS**

(C) Fuel costs related to purchased power (including transmission charges), such as short term, economy and other such purchases, where the energy is purchased on an economic dispatch basis, including the total delivered cost of economy purchases of electric power defined as purchases made to displace higher cost generation at a cost which is less than the purchasing Utility's avoided variable costs for the generation of an equivalent quantity of electric power.

Energy receipts that do not involve money payments such as diversity energy and payback of storage energy are not defined as purchased or interchange power relative to this fuel calculation.

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(D) The cost of fuel recovered through intersystem sales including the fuel costs related to economy energy sales and other energy sold on an economic dispatch basis.

Energy deliveries that do not involve billing transactions such as diversity energy and payback of storage energy are not defined as sales relative to this fuel calculation.

- S = Projected system kilowatt-hour sales excluding any intersystem sales.
- G<sub>F</sub> = Cumulative difference between jurisdictional fuel revenues billed and fuel expenses at the end of the month preceding the projected period utilized in E<sub>F</sub> and S.
- S<sub>1</sub> = Projected jurisdictional kilowatt-hour sales, for the period covered by the fuel costs included in E<sub>F</sub>.
- F<sub>EC</sub> = Customer class variable environmental costs per kilowatt-hour included in base rates, rounded to the nearest one-thousandth of a cent.

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E<sub>EC</sub> = The projected variable environmental costs including: a) the cost of ammonia, lime, limestone, urea, dibasic acid, and catalysts consumed in reducing or treating emissions, plus b) the cost of emission allowances, as used, including allowances for SO2, NOx, mercury and particulates minus net proceeds of sales of emission allowances, and c) as approved by the Commission, all other variable environmental costs incurred in relation to the consumption of fuel and air emissions caused thereby, including but not limited to environmental reagents, other environmental allowances, and emission related taxes. Any environmental related costs recovered through intersystem sales would be subtracted from the totals produced by subparts a), b), and c).

These environmental costs will be allocated to retail customer classes based upon the customer class firm peak demand allocation from the prior year.

- G<sub>EC</sub> = Cumulative difference between jurisdictional customer class environmental fuel revenues billed and jurisdictional customer class environmental costs at the end of the month preceding the projected period utilized in E<sub>EC</sub> and S<sub>2</sub>.
- S<sub>2</sub> = The projected jurisdictional customer class kilowatt-hour sales.

The appropriate revenue-related tax factor is to be included in these calculations.

# **FUEL RATES BY CLASS**

The total fuel costs in cents per kilowatt-hour by customer class as determined by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina in Order No. 2010-336 are as follows for the period May, 2010 through April, 2011:

Customer Class	F <sub>C</sub> Rate	+	F <sub>EC</sub> Rate	=	Total Fuel Rate
Residential	3.610		(0.004)		3.606
Small General Service	3.610		0.002		3.612
Medium General Service	3.610		0.001		3.611
Large General Service	3.610		0.003		3.613
Lighting	3.610		0.000		3.610